

Brownfield Grant Application

Green Columbus Fund Form Revised November 2013

Green Columbus Fund is a reimbursement grant program that uses financial incentives to encourage sustainable development and redevelopment. Private businesses and non-profits can apply for grants to either redevelop Brownfield sites or to build green in Columbus.

Eligible sites must be designated a Brownfield in accordance with the Ohio definition: "Abandoned, idled, or under-used industrial and commercial property where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by known or potential release of hazardous substances or petroleum." Applicants shall not have contributed to the abandonment or contamination of the project site. Reimbursement is not allowed for Brownfield work done prior to January 1, 2012. Grant funds will be awarded on an open application cycle.

Funds can be used to conduct environmental assessments and asbestos surveys up to a maximum of \$200,000 per project. Grant funds are not generally available for remediation, but may be used for some forms of corrective action (see the "Physical Phase II Site Assessment" description in # 10 below).

1. Project Name: _____

2. Project Site Location:

Address

3. Date of submission of this application: _____

4. Indicate whether the Brownfield site is within a "Developed Area," which is defined as either the [1950 Columbus City boundaries](#) or the [CDBG service area](#).

Being in a developed area may lead to priority consideration, but is *not* a requirement:

Yes ☐ No ☐

5. Name of applicant, main office address, contact person, email, phone number and EIN.
(attach additional pages if multiple applicants)

Applicant

Contact Person

Address

Email

City, State, Zip

Telephone number

6. Submit completed W-9 Form with this application.

7. Does the applicant owe:

- A. Any delinquent taxes to the City of Columbus, the State of Ohio or any other political subdivision of the State? Yes ☐ No ☐
- B. Any moneys to the City of Columbus, the State, the Federal Government, or any political subdivision for the administration or enforcement of any environmental laws? Yes ☐ No ☐
- C. Any other moneys to the City, the State or any political subdivision that are past due, whether the amounts owed are being contested in a court of law or not? Yes ☐ No ☐
- D. If yes to any of the above, please provide details of each instance including but not limited to the location, amounts and/or case identification numbers (add additional lines or attach documents if necessary):
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8. Site Description (describe previous site uses and the existing condition of site, including surface and underground):

9. Applicant must demonstrate ownership of the project site property, or an appropriate agreement with the owner authorizing the proposed project activity. If applicant does not own the project site, please provide the contact information for the owner here:

Indicate which of the following apply:

- ☐ Applicant owns the project site – please provide copy deed to the property
- ☐ Applicant has purchase contract with the site owner - please provide
- ☐ Applicant has access agreement allowing onsite assessment work - please provide

Any additional explanation:

10. Project Description (describe all steps necessary to assess the site, including how activities funded under this agreement will relate to other activities). Provide as an attachment the applicable assessment work plan(s) from the contractor/environmental consultant(s):

11. Project Grant Funding Request (If any funding category needs explanation, use the space provided under "Project Description" (# 10) or provide an attachment:

| Eligible Activities | Green Columbus Funding |
|---|------------------------|
| Environmental Site Assessment Phase I | \$ |
| Up to \$5,000 to complete Phase I assessments utilizing ASTM 1527-05 All Appropriate Inquiry Standards, Ohio EPA Voluntary Action Program (VAP) standards or both | |
| Environmental Site Assessment Phase II | \$ |
| Phase II assessments must be conducted utilizing Ohio EPA VAP standards as provided in O.A.C. 3745-300-07. Report format may comply with ASTM E19030-97 Standard or VAP standards | |
| Physical Phase II Site Assessment | \$ |
| Phase II assessment as identified above, and may also include corrective action such as storage tank removal activities and reports under the supervision of the Ohio Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR), gas station demolition, tank pulls, UST Closure Reports and Tier 1 reports and corrective action (some Tier 2 activities may also be allowed). Asbestos removal activities are included, and certain other appropriate corrective action may also be allowed on a case-by-case basis. | |
| Contingency | \$ |
| May not exceed 5% of grant request | |
| TOTAL REQUEST | \$ |

12. Estimate the amount to be invested by the enterprise (not limited to Brownfield redevelopment; also includes anticipated investments in the use of the redeveloped site):

A. Acquisition of Buildings/Land \$ _____

B. Additions/New Construction: \$ _____

C. Improvements to Existing Buildings: \$ _____

D. Machinery & Equipment: \$ _____

E. Furniture & Fixtures: \$ _____

F. Inventory: \$ _____

G. Other Grants anticipated or received: \$ _____

Total New Project Investment: \$ _____

13. Start Date and Project Schedule:

14. Anticipated future use of site after redevelopment:

15. Requested amount of Green Columbus Fund Grant for Brownfield Assessment:

Total Grant Request: _____

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

Applicant agrees to supply additional information upon request. The applicant affirms its awareness that it may not request reimbursement from the City of Columbus for any costs paid for by other city, state or federal grants.

Submission of this application expressly authorizes the City of Columbus to contact the Ohio Development Services Agency, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Ohio Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations to confirm statements contained within this application and to review applicable confidential records. As part of this application or subsequently, the business may also be required to directly request, or complete a waiver form allowing, the Ohio Department of Taxation to release specific tax records to the City of Columbus.

The applicant certifies that the information provided in this application is, to the best of the applicant's knowledge, a true, accurate, and complete disclosure of the requested information. The applicant understands that he or she may be held civilly and criminally liable under Federal or State law for knowingly making false or fraudulent statements.

Applicant

Date

Signature

Typed Name and Title

Please submit the application and attachments to:

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